

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-6 (Canceled).

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): A mixer and a capsule in combination for a dental restoration material for mixing a powder component and a liquid component of the dental restoration material by shaking, comprising:

a capsule configured to retain the dental restoration material and including a mixing compartment and an air-permeable filter configured to ventilate air within the mixing compartment to an outside of the mixing compartment, placed as an outer wall constituting at least a part of a peripheral wall of the mixing compartment;

a capsule holding chamber configured to hold the capsule in a portion other than a portion corresponding to the air-permeable filter, the capsule holding chamber being connected to a vacuum device; and

a cap coupled to the capsule, said air-permeable filter being placed between the capsule and the cap.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The mixer and a capsule in combination for dental restoration material as claimed in claim 7, further comprising a nozzle extending from said capsule and having a mixture passage, said air-permeable filter being disposed within the mixture passage.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): A mixer and a capsule in combination for a dental restoration material for mixing a powder component and a liquid component of the dental restoration material by shaking, comprising:

a capsule configured to retain the dental restoration material and including a mixing compartment and an air-permeable filter configured to ventilate air within the mixing compartment to an outside of the mixing compartment, placed as an outer wall constituting at least a part of a peripheral wall of the mixing compartment;

a capsule holding chamber configured to hold the capsule in a portion other than a portion corresponding to the air-permeable filter, the capsule holding chamber being connected to a vacuum device; and

an aperture window formed on the peripheral wall, said air-permeable filter being disposed in the aperture window.